Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 105

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 123

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 105—Relative to the State Teachers' Retirement System.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

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This measure would encourage the State Teachers' Retirement System to develop and submit to the Legislature, before February 15, 2013, 3 options that would address the long-term funding needs of the Defined Benefit Program.

The measure would also state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to address the long-term funding needs of the Defined Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan.

WHEREAS, The Defined Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan has an unfunded liability primarily as a result of market downturns in the last 10 years and the total contributions made by members of the Defined Benefit Program, school employers, and the state have been insufficient since the 2001–02 fiscal year to reduce the unfunded liability in accordance with governmental accounting standards; and

WHEREAS, Any change in contributions to the Defined Benefit Program requires the enactment of legislation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature encourages the State Teachers' Retirement System, in consultation with affected stakeholders, including, but not limited to, the Department of Finance and organizations representing members and school employers, to develop at least three options to address the long-term funding needs of the Defined Benefit Program in a manner that allocates any increased contributions among members of the system, school employers, and the state, consistent with the contractual rights of existing members, and submit those options to the Legislature before February 15, 2013; and be it further

Resolved, That it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation during the 2013–14 Regular Session that addresses the long-term funding needs of the Defined Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.